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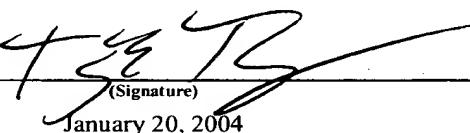
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Dear Sir:

The shortened statutory period for responding to the October 17, 2003  
Office Action ends on January 20, 2004 as January 17, 2004 is a Saturday and Monday,  
January 19, 2004 is a Federal holiday. 37 CFR §§ 1.7 and 1.8. Accordingly, this paper is  
timely filed upon mailing with an executed Certificate of Mailing on or before January  
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Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Specification** begin on page of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page of this paper.
- Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet(s).
- Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.